Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To provide that the term of office of certain members of the Merit Systems Protection Board shall be extended by a period of 1 year, and for other purposes.".

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2064**

Resignation of the Clerk of the House: Read a letter from Karen L. Haas, in which she announced her resignation as Clerk of the House of Representatives, effective midnight on February 25, 2019.

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Electing the Clerk of the House of Representatives: The House agreed to H. Res. 143, electing the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Administration of the Oath of Office to the Clerk of the House: The Speaker administered the Oath of Office to Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Enacting into law a bill by reference: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 483, to enact into law a bill by reference, as amended by Representative Peterson. Pages H2068-87

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2064–65 and H2067. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RELATING TO A NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE PRESIDENT ON FEBRUARY 15, 2019; BIPARTISAN BACKGROUND CHECKS ACT OF 2019; ENHANCED BACKGROUND CHECKS ACT OF 2019

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.J. Res. 46, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019; H.R. 8, the "Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019"; and H.R. 1112, the "Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019". The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 8, the Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, and H.R. 1112, the Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for pur-

pose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-5 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Section 2 of the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1112, the Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-6 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8-4, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 46, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule waives all

points of order against provisions in the joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule provides that the provisions of section 202 of the National Emergencies Act shall not apply during the remainder of the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress to a joint resolution terminating the national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019. Testimony was heard by Chairman Nadler and Representatives Collins, Lesko, Armstrong, Cline, and Gianforte.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D104)

H. J. Res. 31, making further continuing appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2019. Signed on February 15, 2019. (Public Law 116–6)

H.R. 439, to amend the charter of the Future Farmers of America. Signed on February 21, 2019. (Public Law 116–7)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command and United States Northern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Subcommittee on Airland, to receive a closed briefing on the B–21 "Raider", 3 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Mark Anthony Calabria, of Virginia, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Bimal Patel, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Dino Falaschetti, of Montana, to be Director, Office of Financial Research, both of the Department of the Treasury, Todd M. Harper, of Virginia, and Rodney Hood, of North Carolina, both to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, Spencer Bachus III, of Alabama, and Judith DelZoppo Pryor, of Ohio, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors, and Kimberly A. Reed, of West Virginia, to be President, all of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and Seth Daniel Appleton, of Missouri, and Robert Hunter Kurtz, of Virginia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Sub-committee on Transportation and Safety, to hold hearings to examine connecting America, focusing on intermodal connections across our surface transportation network, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the state of the U.S. territories, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine drug pricing in America, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine the 2019 Annual Intellectual Property Report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., SD–G50.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Public Witness Hearing", 9 a.m., 2007 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Oversight Hearing: Understanding the Changing Climate System and the Role of Climate Research", 10 a.m., H–309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing entitled "Leveraging Private Capital for Underserved Communities and Individuals: A look into Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs)", 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Architect of the Capitol, 10 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies oversight hearing on Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Congressional Budget Office, 11 a.m., HT-2, The Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Public Witness Hearing", 12:45 p.m., 2007 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Readiness; and Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, joint hearing entitled "Naval Surface Forces Readiness: Are Navy Reforms Adequate?", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "INF Withdrawal and the Future of Arms Control: Implications for the Security of the United States and its Allies", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled "Department of Defense Information Technology, Cybersecurity, and Information Assurance", 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 865, the "Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2019"; and H.R. 7, the "Paycheck Fairness Act", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.